

Amendments To The Specification:

Please amend the paragraph at page 3, lines 1-9 as follows:

In another aspect the invention is directed to a method of forming a medical device comprising the steps of

placing a parison in a mold having a cavity with a wall form substantially conforming to the

desired shape of said device,

immersing the mold in a heated liquid fluid to heat the parison, and

pressurizing the parison to radially expand the parison to contact the walls of the mold cavity, wherein:

the mold cavity wall contains at least one through-hole therein through which the heated liquid fluid enters the mold cavity to directly contact the parison when the mold is immersed in the heated fluid and through which heated liquid fluid that has entered the mold cavity is expelled therefrom when the parison is radially expanded.